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Second wave of tornados ravages central US

CHICAGO (AFP) - A second wave of tornados tore across the central United States Friday leaving a trail of damage as residents were recovering from a string of twisters that killed 13 people earlier in the week.

Some 17 tornados were reported in Alabama, Tennessee and Illinois by Friday afternoon, bringing the week's total to 65, though not all were confirmed.

More could be on their way as a "particularly dangerous" tornado watch was set to continue until 9:00 pm Friday (0200 GMT Saturday) in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio and 6:00 pm (2200 GMT) Friday in Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri.

"This is a particularly dangerous situation," the national weather service warned.

"Destructive tornadoes, large hail to 2.5 inches (6.4 centimeters), thunderstorm wind gusts to 70 miles (112 kilometers) per hour and dangerous lightening are possible."

Most of Friday's tornadoes were reported in Alabama's Madison county, where houses were destroyed, trees and power lines were

knocked down and cars tossed about.

The weather service reported "people trapped in rubble with injuries," but no fatalities were reported by Friday afternoon.

This latest outbreak of twisters comes as people were still picking through rubble left behind by a series of twisters which struck six states on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The town of Harrisburg, Illinois was the hardest hit after it was ripped apart by a deadly twister that stayed on the ground for miles Wednesday, killing at least six people and injuring more than 100.

Some 545 people were killed by tornadoes in 2011, which was the deadliest tornado season since 1936 and the third worst on record, according to the national weather service.

This year, the tornados seem to have come a bit early with the mild winter creating the right conditions for cold fronts to slam into warmer air. Peak tornado season in the southern states is usually March through May, and in the northern states late spring to early summer.

TNO holding first symposium on green energy



Last Thursday, The Prime Minister of Aruba opened the first symposium by TNO Caribe under the auspices of Jan Ebbing and his team. This symposium was organized

for all stakeholders slated to work with TNO on the realization of various projects to make Aruba a green energy sustainable island.

One of the discussions during the symposium was an explanation of what exactly is a "living lab" and how this will be developed. The symposium, titled "Roadmap of a sustainable Aruba 2020" was graced with the presence of the Directors of WEB, ELMAR, FCCA, and SETAR executives. Members of the Supervisory Board of Utilities N.V. and various advisers involved in energy programs were also in attendance.

Everyone is aware of the fact that TNO was brought to Aruba for two main purposes. One purpose is to establish a scientific institution of learning with a far reaching reputation

which will afford Aruba an opportunity to build a third economic pillar...on the area of knowledge.

The second purpose for TNO's existence on Aruba is to pursue a change in Aruba's energy into one that is sustainable, according to Prime Minister Eman. Eman is of the opinion that we must develop a third economic stream which fits in with the "Green" concept. Eman continued to remark that within six months we will most probably be inaugurating another windmill park which would generate 40% of energy from the wind. Those closest to this project know how difficult this process was. In order to create support for sustainable development and to create a transition from the present to the future, requires a great deal of energy and congeniality to make that happen and to guarantee a stable and prosperous development, according to Eman.

According to the government, the "living lab" that is to be developed on Aruba, is not just a simple idea but a process of education and a step we must take for the entire community so that we can develop sustainable energy.

Things to do this weekend!

The Cas Animal Doggy Carnival this Sunday

Those wishing to enter the appropriately garbed canine with a chance to win great prizes and crowns for a Small and Large Carnival Queen and a Small and Large Carnival Pantocho, should inscribe in the parking lot of the Acqua Condominium project across from the Palm Beach Plaza at 4:00 PM; entry fee is 35 florins.

Sunday -Ms. Canada Fundraising Beach Volleyball tourney - 11 am

16 teams will be battling it out on the La Cabana Beach front, contestants will include Aruba's Minister of Social and Economic Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, playing for the Canada team. (see pg 16)

Saturday morning from 9 am - 1 p.m.: Santa Rosa Farm Fair

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Team Aruba back to take on ADRL XPS action in 2012



UNION, S.C. -- Fans of the American Drag Racing League will be happy to know that the smiling faces and palm tree adorned pit area of Team Aruba will be back on tour for 2012, giving fans a taste of the Aruban paradise this team calls home. Also as in previous years, fans can learn more about booking their own dream getaway at each ADRL event.

Driver Trevor Eman and the entire Aruba.com crew are excited to be back for another year and continue building their program. Although the team may be looked at as an underdog compared to some of the giants of Extreme Pro Stock, each year the team grows in confidence and strengthens their assault on the competition.

"We're thrilled to be back under the Aruba banner to compete in the ADRL again," told Eman. "We love to tell people about our home country and encourage them to take the vacation of a lifetime, and to be able to do that through this racing platform is an opportunity we're very grateful for. Alltel Wireless will also be on board with us

again this year. We're keeping much of the same things in place and looking to build on our knowledge and successes from last year. This team has a huge amount of potential, and we hope to unleash more of it in 2012."

Team Aruba will field their stunning Jerry Haas built Mustang with a Jon Kaase Ford power plant once again providing the muscle.

"Kaase has been working really hard during this off season finding any improvements he can, and we can't wait to see how well his efforts have paid off," added Eman. "We want to give those Chevy guys a run for their money, and we're depending on Jon Kaase to find every little horsepower he

can in that big 825 Ford Hemi. Our Aruba.com Mustang is also updated with the latest in clutch and drive train innovation.

"We'll be testing these updates and preparing for the season during a week-long test session at Bradenton Motorsports Park beginning on Monday [March 5th]. The guys at Bradenton are really nice folks and always have a killer track to run on. It's been our location for pre-season testing for the past five years now.

"This Aruba.com Team is excited that racing season is upon us and it's time to get back to the track. We're hoping to get a lot accomplished in this test session and be ready to give it all we've got when Houston gets here. Our fans are some of the best out there and our goal is to give them a win or two this year. We're certainly not afraid of hard work, and our crew has the talent, so hopefully we'll get a little luck this year and score a Minute Man for our fans and for Aruba."

Keep up with Team Aruba at www.facebook.com/teamarubaracing and on Twitter @TeamArubaRacing. Find race results, team updates, videos and photos. Also leave your comments to cheer on Team Aruba!

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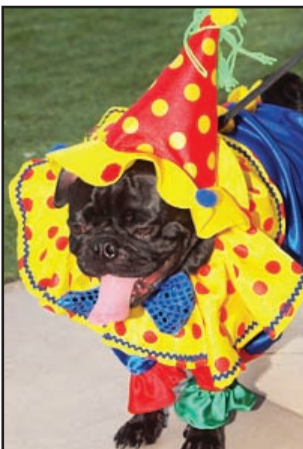
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A dose of concentrated cuteness for a worthwhile cause: The Cas Animal Doggy Carnival on Sunday

Foundation Cas Animal is conducting their annual Doggy Carnival fundraising event this coming Sunday, March 4 in Palm Beach. Those wishing to enter the appropriately garbed canine with a chance to win great prizes and crowns for a Small and Large Carnival Queen and a Small and Large Carnival Pancho, should inscribe in the parking lot of the Acqua Condominium project across from the Palm Beach Plaza at 4:00 PM; entry fee is 35 florins.

Entrants will then be directed to the field just south of the Westin Resort, where



Some of last year's participants: Queen Joy of the large breeds, Panch Clown of the small breeds and a very wrinkly pirate

Judges Eva Wever, co-founder of ARUBA IN STYLE Fashion Week and Michael Douglas, noted carnival costume designer, will be waiting to watch the aspir-

ing contest winners will strut their stuff on the stage provided courtesy of Elite Lighting, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Depending on the number of entrants, the canine beauty pageant should take around 90 minutes.

Balashi Chill is providing beer and soft drinks for sale along with tasty snacks, all to further benefit the foundation, plus attractive souvenir tee shirts. Winners will receive bags of

Beneful dog food as prizes and other great gifts, including custom-made crowns.

Cas Animal is a non-profit foundation dedicated to rescuing Aruba's abandoned and abused dogs and cats; the current fundraising event is to finance the construction of a no-kill shelter in Kibaima, which will accommodate up to 250 dogs and include an onsite clinic.

All are welcome to enjoy this most entertaining show while helping a very worthwhile cause; if you are a dog lover, come and admire some great canine companions and help rescue Aruba's strays.

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Special for the Lent Season: Subway has its traditional 'Seafood Sentation' campaign



The Lent season is here and Subway has already launched its traditional 'Seafood Sentation' campaign offering customers the best choice in seafood sandwiches, as most Arubans are known to eat only fish on Fridays during the Lent season.

On the menu: the famous and delicious 'Clam Chowder Soup.' Subway also has lobster, tuna and crab sandwiches, as well as wraps and salads; a healthy choice variety for all those who want to eat healthy and has a love for seafood and fresh produce.

Subway is always con-

scious of its customers who prefer to eat seafood during the Lent season, especially on Fridays. So, start your reflexion season in a healthy way with the fresh sandwiches, wraps and salads Subway has to offer.

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Friends of the Handicapped distribute their annual donations



FOTH Volunteers and recipients



Photos depict at left: Daniel Techlenborg of CEDE thanks Art Stark, at right: Dennis Conrado receiving donation on behalf of the SVGA

After two months of wintering on Aruba, the volunteer visitors who comprise the

foundation Friends of the Handicapped distributed the funds they had raised for

charity over the past two month, to a number of local institutions dedicated to the

less fortunate.

The award ceremony took place on Thursday evening, March 1 at the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa, where FOTH annually conducts their fundraising Sweethearts Dinner Dance on Valentine's Day.

FOTH President Art Stark and all the FOTH volunteers received a personal thank you from Daniel Tecklenborg, Director of CEDE Aruba, a non-profit organization which administers and finds funding for foundations and social projects, for their selfless and ceaseless efforts to assist Aruba's less fortunate during their time on the island, when most usually come to just lay on the beach.

This is FOTH's silver anniversary, 25 years of fundraising, with a total of 45,000 Aruban florins (\$25,700) finally distributed among 13 foundations.

The 2012 recipients of their efforts were:

- Imeldahoff Home for children from troubled families,
- Funari center for physically handicapped elderly,
- Respeta Mi, which battles child abuse,
- Ambiente Feliz, a home for mentally challenged adults,
- Centro Kibrahaca, an activities and social center

for retirees,

- Cas Marie, a therapy and social center for those with Alzheimer's and Senile Dementia,

- Bibito Pin care center for severely physically and mentally challenged children,

- Edmund Harms, which provides home-care for terminal cancer patients,

- Abiente Nobo for the mentally challenged,

- FAVI for the visually impaired,

- Hacienda and Eliezer rehab centers for those battling substance abuse

Representatives of the various foundations expressed their admiration for the efforts of FOTH volunteers, when coming to the podium to collect their donations, where they explained the work they do and how the funds will be deployed.

This year, FOTH members also welcomed to their ranks new volunteers Rich and Marie Szempruch, who join Art and his wife Alma, Phil Solomon, Sal and Maryann Lacarruba, David Ulmschneider and his wife Tana, Pat and Marsha Finck and Huguette Vatiquette, ably assisted by Marcelino and Anoushka of Aruba in their dedication to "giving back" to the community of the island that has become their "home away from home."

By Rosalie Klein

Indonesian women get husbands' pay to stop affairs

GORONTALO (AFP) - Thousands of male Indonesian civil servants had their monthly pay transferred to their wives' bank accounts this week in a bid by a local government to stop men having affairs.

The Gorontalo administration on northern Sulawesi island issued the recommendation early this year to its 3,200 civil servants, saying it would help control funds usually spent on mistresses.

"Men are usually unable to control their behaviour if they have too much money in their pocket," government spokesman Rifly Katili told AFP.

"I'm pretty sure this will eliminate the possibility of love affairs that undermine families."

About 90 percent of the workers are voluntarily taking part in the initiative, Katili said.

"This kind of initiative will also empower the employees' wives to learn about household budget management," he said.

Katili said many wives had complained to the governor that their husbands withheld how much they earned, typically between one and four million rupiah (\$110-\$440) a month.

Katili did not know how many civil servants had cheated on their wives.

"Unfortunately, we never researched that."

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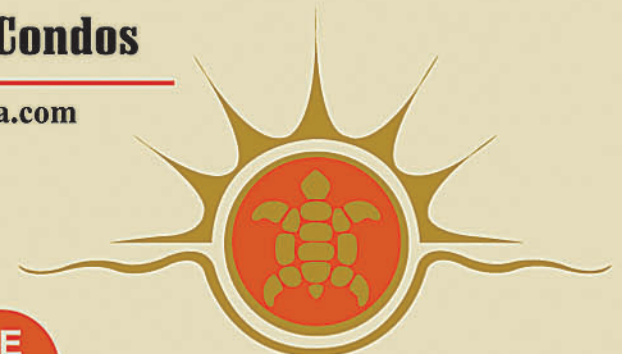


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International News

N. Korea threatens S. Korea despite accord with US



A North Korean missile unit takes part in a military parade to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army in Pyongyang in this picture taken April 25, 2007.

SEOUL - North Korea Friday renewed threats to launch a "sacred war" against South Korea, indicating cross-border ties will remain icy despite Pyongyang's surprise nuclear deal with Seoul's close ally Washington.

The North's agreement to freeze some nuclear and missile activities in return for massive US food aid has raised cautious hopes of eased tensions under its new young leader Kim Jong-Un.

In statements released late Wednesday announcing the deal, both Pyongyang and Washington pledged to work for better relations.

But Friday's comments from the North's supreme military command struck a different tone with the South.

The command accused South Korean troops of displaying slogans or placards slandering the North's top leaders at their barracks, shooting ranges and other military facilities.

ities.

The soldiers "openly slandered and defamed the dignity of the supreme leadership of the DPRK (North Korea) after creating a touch-and-go situation", it said in a statement on the official news agency.

The command vowed to "mercilessly" wipe out anyone who "slightly insults and defames" the dignity of the North's supreme leadership.

Pyongyang made similar threats last year when South Korean reservists were found to be using pictures of the ruling Kim dynasty as rifle-range targets. The South says that practice has been stopped.

Pyongyang has taken a consistently hostile tone towards Seoul since Jong-Un took over after his father Kim Jong-Il died of a heart attack on December 17.

Last Saturday it threatened a "sacred war" over US-South Korean joint military drills, describing them as a "silent declaration of war".

The North vows never to deal with the South's conservative leaders, accusing them of trying to spark a war and rejecting appeals for dialogue. On Friday it compared them to "a mad dog getting more ferocious before meeting its end".

But Seoul's Unification Minister Yu Woo-Ik told a forum Friday: "We urge North Korea again to quickly respond to our proposal for dialogue."

Under the North's agreement with the United States, the communist state promised to suspend a uranium enrichment programme and declare a moratorium on nuclear and long-range missile tests. It would also re-admit UN nuclear inspectors.

The United States said it would provide the impoverished and hungry country with

240,000 tonnes of food intended for young children and pregnant women.

The disarmament talks have been stalled for some three years. The disclosure in November 2010 of the North's enrichment programme, which could give it a second path to an atomic bomb, has lent urgency to the diplomacy.

The United States and its allies had demanded a shutdown of the programme as one precondition for reviving the six-party forum.

Washington had also called on Pyongyang to improve ties with Seoul, although the State Department made no mention of this in its statement Wednesday.

Amid the latest progress, the United States said North Korea's top nuclear negotiator Ri Yong-Ho would pay a rare visit next week for talks at a US university.

Republicans vie for pre-Super Tuesday poll boost

SEATTLE (AFP) - The Republican race to choose the party's White House candidate moves today to Washington state, in the last stop before the nation's vote bonanza on Super Tuesday next week.

The far northwestern US state bordering Canada is traditionally a Democratic bastion, but also has lots of self-described independent voters who can take part in the Republican caucuses, potentially skewing the results.

Mitt Romney, who has regained his frontrunner status after defeating surging Christian conservative Rick Santorum in two polls earlier this week, got a boost on the eve of the weekend Washington caucuses.

The latest Public Policy Polling (PPP) survey gave the lead in Washington state to Romney with 37 percent against 32 percent for former Pennsylvania senator Santorum, 16 percent for Ron Paul, and 13 percent for Newt Gingrich.

Romney, campaigning in the Evergreen State on Friday, trained his fire exclusively on President Barack Obama, returning to his frontrunner strategy of rising above his Republican rivals' fray.

Although in past races Washington state has largely

Prosecutors search home of Germany's former president



BERLIN (AFP) - German prosecutors Friday searched the home of former president Christian Wulff, who resigned on February 17 after allegations of corruption and a dodgy home loan, police said.

A computer was seized during the search of Wulff's home at Grossburgwedel, near Hanover in the northern state of Lower Saxony, the mass-circulation Bild daily reported.

The 52-year-old Wulff has been rocked by scandals and

allegations since mid-December largely over his connections to wealthy businessmen, initially over an advantageous home loan from a friend's wife.

He then faced claims he tried to hush up the story, as well as reports of free holidays accepted from friends.

Wulff stepped down after prosecutors sought the lifting of his legal immunity to probe allegations he had enjoyed favours from a film producer friend.

A Hanover prosecutor's case focuses on his relationship with film producer friend David Groenewold who is also facing investigation over dealings between his firm and Lower Saxony while Wulff was state premier.

He also reportedly picked up the bill for Wulff's hotel during a short holiday in 2007. Wulff's lawyers have said he repaid the money in cash later.



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International News

Bodies of Western journalists identified in Damascus



A combination of two photos shows US-born journalist Marie Colvin (L) in a recent picture released by the Sunday Times, and freelance French photojournalist Remi Ochlik in an AFP picture taken on February 2005.

DAMASCUS (AFP) - The remains of two Western journalists killed in Syria, American reporter Marie Colvin and French photographer Remi Ochlik, were Friday taken from the besieged city of Homs to the capital where they were identified, an AFP correspondent said.

A three-vehicle convoy of one car and two Syrian Arab

Red Crescent ambulances arrived at the Assad University Hospital in Damascus at around 1845 GMT.

French Ambassador Eric Chevallier and his Polish counterpart Michal Murkocinski, who represents US interests following the closure of the American embassy in Syria, identified the two bodies at the hospital.

The step was necessary in order to allow the remains of the journalists to be repatriated.

French President Nicolas Sarkozy on Friday announced the closure of Paris's embassy in Damascus and Chevallier's imminent return home.

Colvin, 56, worked for Britain's Sunday Times and 28-year-old Ochlik was in Syria for the photo agency he co-founded, IP3 Press. They were killed when a makeshift press centre in the rebel-held Homs district of Baba Amr was hit on February 22.

Three other Western journalists were wounded in the attack, including Colvin's British photographer colleague Paul Conroy and French reporter Edith Bouvier of Le Figaro and French photographer William Daniels.

Bouvier and Daniels were flown to Paris on Friday following their evacuation from Homs where they had been trapped for days under regime bombardment.

Conroy was in hospital in Britain, where he returned a couple of days ago after being smuggled to Lebanon on Tuesday.

Paris prosecutors on Friday opened a preliminary murder probe into the attack on the media centre in Baba Amr.

A judicial source said that one of the inquiry's first objectives would be to gather data that would allow the formal identification of Ochlik's body so it could be returned to France.

Brain-damaged Dutch prince Friso in hospital in London



Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands and the prince's wife Mabel leaving the hospital.

THE HAGUE (AFP) - Dutch Prince Johan Friso, brain-damaged and in a coma after being caught by an avalanche in Austria last month, was transferred to a London hospital Thursday, the palace said.

"His Royal Highness Prince Friso arrived today in London, where he has been living for many years," a statement said.

"Wellington hospital was recommended by experts. Considering his condition, Prince Friso will receive the best possible treatment there," the palace added.

Queen Beatrix, and the prince's wife and two daughters, also flew to London, the palace said.

The 43-year-old has been in intensive care in hospital in Innsbruck since being buried by an avalanche in the Austrian Alps on February 17. Doctors said last week he may never regain consciousness.

"It can't be said with certainty at this point whether Prince Friso will ever regain consciousness again," according to Wolfgang Koller, head of the trauma unit at Innsbruck University Hospital.

"In any case, a neurological rehabilitation will be required that will take months, if not years."

The father-of-two, the second son of Queen Beatrix, was skiing off-piste in the Lech resort with a friend when the avalanche struck.

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At the time the avalanche alert level was at the second highest, posing a particular risk away from the prepared ski slopes.

The Dutch royal family had been vacationing in Lech, where it regularly spends its skiing holiday, when the accident happened, and members of the family made daily visits to the prince's bedside.

Prince Friso has been chief financial director of Britain's URENCO group -- dealing with nuclear fuel supplies -- since 2011, and previously worked with the investment bank Goldman Sachs in London.



VILLACOUBLAY : French journalist Edith Bouvier smiles as firefighters carry her into an ambulance after the plane carrying her and French photographer William Daniels landed at the military airport of Villacoublay outside Paris on March 2, 2012.
AFP PHOTO



Health & Living

Gluten-free cakes bring tears of joy to Paris

PARIS (AFP) - Some customers burst into tears when they first bite into one of her cakes. It's not just that they're good... they're gluten-free.

Marie Tagliaferro is one of the very few -- if not the only pastry chef in pastry-loving France -- to offer customers such delicacies in a country where gluten intolerance has long been considered a problem of the very young.

When customers call at her small Paris shop, they always ask "is it really gluten-free?" says her husband Francois, the bakery's owner-manager.

"And we say, yes, I promise, it's gluten-free... And they are very emotional, they start to eat the cakes and we have some people who are moved to tears because they haven't had a religieuse (a glazed puff pastry) or a lemon meringue tart

for 15 years," he adds.

It might not quite be the stuff of Marcel Proust's madeleine recollections, but for people deprived for years of a chocolate éclair, the Tagliaferro shop has proved a god-send.

Cakes and pastries were always Marie's life. But a few years ago doctors told her she had a severe intolerance to gluten -- a protein found in cereals such as wheat -- which can cause chronic diarrhoea and vomiting.

She thought she would never again be able to enjoy her own pastry creations.

But now she's has opened a patisserie dedicated to gluten-free versions of the best French pastries.

A medical intolerance to gluten, known as coeliac disease, affects up to one person

in 100.

And while in many countries it's a standard dietary variation, in France, where gluten-based foodstuffs are almost a national icon, the disease is still under-diagnosed and little known.

For Brigitte Jolivet, president of French Association of Gluten Intolerance, little is done for French sufferers.

Even for those without coeliac disease, a gluten-free diet is popular on health grounds -- meaning anyone can enjoy the pastries here, and if Marie's done her job properly, you won't even know the difference.

If things go well, Marie and her husband plan to soon start tackling the next symbol of French cuisine -- home-made gluten-free baguettes.

US police arrest 'Black Madam' over buttock injections

PHILADELPHIA (AFP) - Philadelphia police have arrested a transgender hip-hop artist known for injecting substances into the buttocks of other women to give them a curvier, more feminine appearance.

Padge Victoria Windslowe, 42, was charged with aggravated assault, deceptive business practices and related offenses after a 23 year-old exotic dancer was hospitalized following a procedure in February.

She was arrested late Wednesday outside of what police say was a "pumping party" being held by customers waiting in a house for silicone injections and is being held on \$10 million bail.

Police are not sure what substance Windslowe used to enhance her customer's buttocks. They believe it is sili-

cone, but say that in some cases the injection sites were sealed with super glue.

Windslowe, also known as the "Black Madam," is known for her goth-inspired hip-hop videos. She also is a person of interest in the case of British student, Claudia Seye Aderotimi, who died after receiving a butt injection in February 2011.

In that incident, police say the substance injected into Aderotimi entered a vein, according to police documents.

Windslowe has not been charged in that case, but may be if a medical examiner determines that the injection killed Aderotimi.

The woman in that incident paid as much as \$1,800 per treatment, according to court documents. Windslowe was required to surrender her passport before a court appearance on March 13

EU breast cancer deaths 'to drop 9% in 2012'

(AFP) - The number of women dying from breast cancer in the European Union is expected to drop by nine percent this year thanks to advances in treatments, researchers said on Wednesday.

In the 20-49 age group specifically, the death rate in 2012 will fall by as much as 13 percent, the Italian-Swiss study found.

Breast cancer is the leading cause of female cancer deaths in the EU, accounting for 15 percent of all cancer deaths.

There will be nearly 1.3 million deaths from all forms of cancer in the EU this year, researchers estimate -- 717,398 men and 565,703 women.

Overall cancer death rates will be 139 per 100,000 men and 85 per 100,000 women in 2012, a fall of 10 and seven percent respectively compared to 2007 data.

Deaths from lung cancer are continuing to rise among women but declining among men for whom it is the deadliest cancer.

Rates of pancreatic cancer are rising among both men and women, a finding which surprised the study authors given the decline in smoking.

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Sci-Tech

'Go to hell Barack': Row over Washington Metro ad



(AFP) - In the heat of a US presidential election year, with Americans immune to the polarized and bitter nature of political discourse, it takes a lot to shock them, especially in Washington.

But one ad at a DC Metro station -- which starts off criticizing Obama's health care reforms and ends up telling the president to "go to hell" -- goes beyond the pale, says Jim Moran, a Democratic congressman from Virginia.

The advertisement is for "Sick and Sicker: When the Government Becomes Your Doctor," a documentary that interviews Canadian doctors and patients in the hope of showing how dangerous "Obamacare" is for the American people.

"Barack Obama wants politicians and bureaucrats to control America's entire medical system. Go to hell Barack," the ad says.

Moran wrote a letter to Metro general manager

Virginia high court rules in favor of climate scientist

(AFP) - The supreme court of Virginia on Friday ruled in favor of a prominent climate scientist, blocking a two-year bid by state officials to get access to his university emails and grant materials.

The case was brought by state attorney general Ken Cuccinelli, a skeptic of global warming, against the University of Virginia where well known climate scientist Michael Mann taught from 1999 to 2005.

Cuccinelli had tried to obtain Mann's communications relating to grants he received to conduct climate science research, alleging there may have been data manipulated to show a rise in global temperatures linked to fossil fuel use.

Richard Sarles calling for the removal of the advertisement.

"The ad is deeply disrespectful of the President of the United States and does not belong in the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) network," he wrote.

It turns out that such language is within the accepted limits of American law and such advertisements are protected under the First Amendment of the US constitution, guaranteeing free speech.

The attorney general sought the information -- which would have included research drafts, handwritten notes and emails -- via what is known as a "civil investigative demand" under the state's Fraud Against Taxpayers Act.

But the Virginia supreme court came down on the university's side, saying Cuccinelli's bid had no legal standing because the university was neither a "person" nor a "corporation" under the act and therefore could not be probed.

Also, Cuccinelli "did not sufficiently state what the attorney general suspected Dr. Mann did that was 'false or fraudulent,'" the ruling said.

The Union of Concerned Scientists hailed the ruling and said Cuccinelli was part of a "small but vocal minority in a pointless and costly investigation."

"We applaud the high court for reaffirming that Mr Cuccinelli didn't have a legal leg to stand on in his pursuit of Mann's and other scientists' private correspondence," said Michael Halpern, program manager for the UCS scientific integrity program.

Liquid battery could charge green energy



(AFP) - Engineering professor Donald Sadoway on Thursday used an old-school chalk board at the prestigious TED gathering to write the formula for a liquid battery that could one day cut the need for new power plants.

"The way things stand, electricity demand must be in constant balance with supply," Sadoway told the tech-savvy audience in southern California.

Inexpensive batteries made from liquid metal could store electricity from solar panels, wind farms, or existing generation facilities and save it for when it is most needed.

That would be a major change from today's consume-it-now-or-lose-it systems.

"The battery is the enabling device here," he said. "With it we could draw electricity from the sun even when the sun doesn't shine."

Sadoway and his team of students at Massachusetts In-

stitute of Technology were so confident in their creation that they started Liquid Metal Battery Corporation and plan to have bistro-table size models out in two years.

Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates is among the company's backers.

The company plans to eventually bring to market a liquid battery the size of a 40-foot shipping container and capable of holding enough electricity to serve the daily needs of 200 typical US households.

"You could have these batteries in the basements of buildings drinking up power in the wee hours," Sadoway said.

"It means we don't have to build more plants, power lines just for peak use," he continued. "The limits are way out there, not only in terms of what it can do for renewables."

The key metals in the battery are common vanadium and magnesium, the professor explained as he chalked a basic chemical equation on the board.

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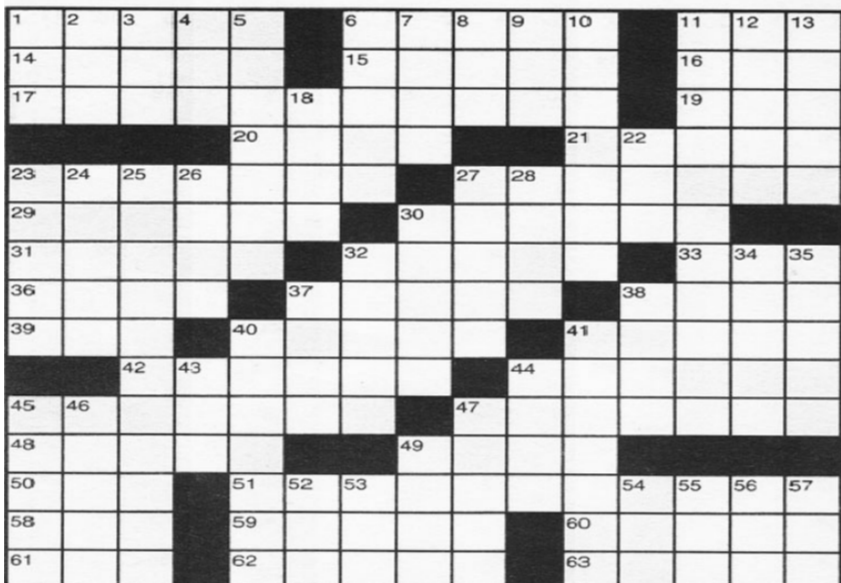
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ACROSS

1. Malcolm X's birthplace
6. Warps' counterparts
11. Remind incessantly
14. Electrical unit
15. Bay window
16. Raw material
17. Will Smith's one-time TV title role
19. Life on the Riviera
20. She: Fr.
21. Fencing counterparts of dueling swords
23. Scrubbed
27. Gross out
29. ___ around (frolicked)
30. Curfew setter
31. Like Brown's walls
32. Yumminess
33. Suffix in names of rocks
36. Throws
37. Paddock mamas
38. Practices: suffix
39. ___ Lanka
40. Peaceful protest
41. Physicists Aage and Niels
42. Bea and Eugenie, to Anne
44. Woolly
45. Ready to pig out
47. Ponchos for Pancho
48. Free-for-all
49. Top drawer
50. Chicago trains
51. JFK's Presidential agenda

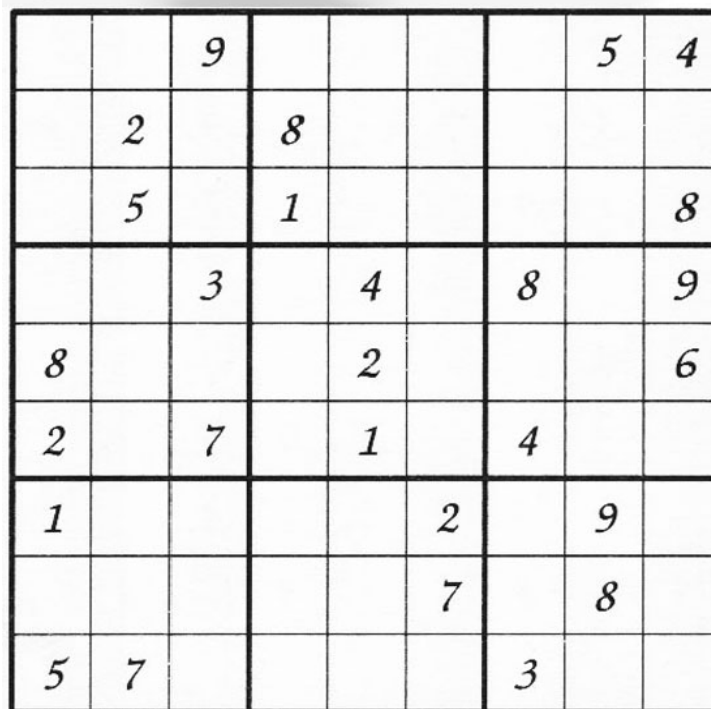
DOWN

1. Not functioning
2. Deface
3. "You ___ My Destiny"
4. Scornful laughs
5. Stuck
6. Part of www
7. Lake discovered by Joliet
8. ___ de siècle
9. Marlowe, for one
10. Unheralded hit
11. Where to purchase chattering teeth
12. Sky ram
13. They migrate in a "V"
18. Asked for mercy
22. Wordplay
23. Sends by UPS
24. Perform another's song
25. Adam's legacy?
26. Heloise had 1,001 for nylon net
27. Poe's night visitor
28. Winged youth
30. Pompidou Museum's locale
32. Filled
34. Word-sparing
35. They make a boy bossy
37. They fight the Nutcracker in "The Nutcracker"
38. Scottish monastic isle
40. "The ___ Seal" (Bergman)
41. Sea north of Norway
43. Fury
44. "Iron Jay"
45. Widgeons
46. Brit's boob tube
47. Does a mailroom job
49. From ___ (distantly)
52. Poet's "before"
53. Algonquin Indian
54. Discontinued M&M color
55. AARP member's income source
56. Go wrong
57. Flour source



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Sudoku



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2	4	9	1	6	8	5	3	7
1	8	5	4	7	2	9	6	3
5	6	9	2	8	3	7	1	4
3	1	8	6	5	4	2	9	7
9	1	4	6	2	7	5	3	8
6	2	8	5	7	1	4	9	3
8	4	2	7	5	6	1	9	3
3	9	6	7	5	8	1	2	4
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Finance

Oil falls after Saudi pipeline fire rumor doused

NEW YORK (AFP) - Oil prices reversed course Friday after Thursday's rumor of a Saudi pipeline fire sent crude soaring.

After the Saudis, the world's largest exporters of crude, denied the rumors, prices sank in all major markets.

New York's main contract, West Texas Intermediate crude for delivery in April, shed \$2.14 to \$106.70 per barrel, one day after hitting a nine-month high at \$110.55.

In London, Brent North Sea for April dived \$2.55 to \$123.65 per barrel.

The Brent contract had surged on Thursday to \$128.40 -- the highest level since July 23, 2008 -- after an Iranian media report of a pipeline fire in Saudi Arabia.

"The jump in price was prompted by an Iranian media report of an oil pipeline explosion in Saudi Arabia," said Commerzbank analyst Carsten Fritsch.

"Even if the original story came from Iran and no doubt was spread deliberately, the market clearly believes there

to be an increased risk of supply shortfalls," he added.

A slight pullback in saber-rattling over Iran from the US and Israel also helped prices ease.

US President Barack Obama warned against any premature military action against Iran over its alleged nuclear weapons program, saying Tehran was feeling the pressure of severe sanctions and isolation.

"The only way historically that a country has ultimately decided not to get nuclear weapons without constant military intervention has been when they themselves take [nuclear weapons] off the table," he told The Atlantic magazine.

At the same time, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, in Canada ahead of meetings in Washington with Obama next week, said his government would not present "red lines" to the US for military action against Iran.

Both though clearly reserved a military option, with Obama saying all options remained possible and warning "I don't bluff."

Jeffrey Sachs seeks World Bank's top job

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Economist Jeffrey Sachs threw his hat into the ring to become the next president of the World Bank Friday, saying it needs a development expert like himself rather than a politician or Wall Street banker.

Sachs was the first high-profile American to declare interest in the job, after current president Robert Zoellick announced two weeks ago that he would step down on June 30, at the end of his five-year term.

"My quest to help end poverty has taken me to more than 125 countries, from

mega-city capitals to mountaintop villages, from rain forest settlements to nomadic desert camps," Sachs wrote in the Washington Post on Friday.

"Now I hope it will take me... to the presidency of the World Bank. I am eager for this challenge."

Sachs, 57, directs the Earth Institute at Columbia University and is a special adviser to UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon.

His announcement opened the fight for the job running the World Bank, which has always been held by an American since it was launched in 1945.

Briefs

Kenya launches huge port project

LAMU (AFP) - Kenya launched the construction of a massive port, railway and refinery Friday near a UNESCO-listed Indian Ocean island in a project it bills as the biggest ever in an African nation.

Kenyan President Mwai Kibaki, Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi and South Sudanese President Salva Kiir unveiled a plaque in a ceremony to mark the official start of building work near Lamu island in Kenya's southeast.

Nairobi hopes the \$24.5 billion (18.5-billion-euro) scheme will turn the east African country into a regional economic hub and propel it to become a middle-income economy in the next two decades.

The port to be constructed with 32 berths and be connected to Ethiopia and oil-rich South Sudan by a super-highway, a railway and a pipeline to export Juba's crude.


S&P downgrades Nokia over dwindling smartphone share

HELSINKI (AFP) - Standard and Poor's downgraded mobile phone giant Nokia's rating by a notch, blaming especially the Finnish company's difficulties in defending its smartphone market share.

S&P cut Nokia's long-term corporate credit rating to BBB- from BBB, with a negative outlook "reflecting the possibility of a further downgrade in the next two years," if the companies margins remain too weak and its cash holdings decrease too much, the ratings agency said in a statement.

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

ALI	IMETA	ACT
BAD	LACUNA	GER
BREAK	THE ICE	ADO
ADAM	TOS	CRAVAT
USE	OILER	
COOL	HANDLUKE	
ALBEE	ORON	REC
BEET	STOAT	GASH
SOY	PEST	SANTE
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Switzerland	CHF	1.9502	1.9574	1.9654
Netherlands	EUR	2.3372	2.3540	2.3777
Sweden	SEK	0.2567	0.2639	0.2719
Denmark	DKK	0.3070	0.3142	0.3222
Norway	NOK	0.3076	0.3148	0.3228
Japan	JPY	216.51	218.49	220.69

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Investors hesitant as US stocks slip

NEW YORK (AFP) - US stocks closed lower Friday with traders lacking any kind of news to spark enthusiasm for buying. All the market energy seemed to go into driving smallish Nasdaq newcomer Yelp to a first day gain of over 60 percent, while blue chips languished and other tech stocks dropped on profit-taking. At the closing bell the Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 3.94 points (0.03 percent) to 12,976.36. The broad-based S&P 500 lost 4.23 (0.31 percent) to 1,369.86, while the tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite fell 12.78 points (0.43 percent) to 2,976.19.



GREECE, Thessaloníki : Customers queue to buy cheap sacks of potatoes sold directly by farmers at cost price in the northern Greek town of Thessaloniki on March 2, 2012. Farmers in northern Greece have joined forces with local residents to provide cheap produce to the people, who made orders by email, and also to help producers who say they are being squeezed by middlemen. Similar 'solidarity' actions started to be organized in other Greek cities. (AFP PHOTO)



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Couple from N.Hampshire renew wedding vows on Bucuti's Dream Beach



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Lea and Pat, who have been legally married for almost one year, did not have the traditional large wedding with hundreds of guests. Instead they decided on a getaway to celebrate their first wedding anniversary, being blessed with their beautiful daughter Brielle included in the wording of the intimate ceremony on the beach. Something special, just the two of them that would truly allow them to express their love and strong bond they have for each other, and the beginning of their own family. Both Lea and Pat have been to Aruba before, and they knew this would be the perfect loca-

tion for such a special celebration.

Lea shares her story: "Fate as it seems, brought us together 2 years ago. Pat, who is a police officer, was working as I was walking home after a night out with friends. He stopped and helped me get a taxi home. When I was getting in the taxi, I passed him my number. I thought I'd never hear from him again, but, I got a text from him a week or so later. It took about a month before we hung out for the first time, and we just hit it off. We've been together ever since. The personalized, heart-felt ceremony delivered by Officiant Diane Keijzer brought tears to our eyes."

Photos by photographer, Kenneth Theysen show Mr. and Mrs. Maguire at their dream wedding.

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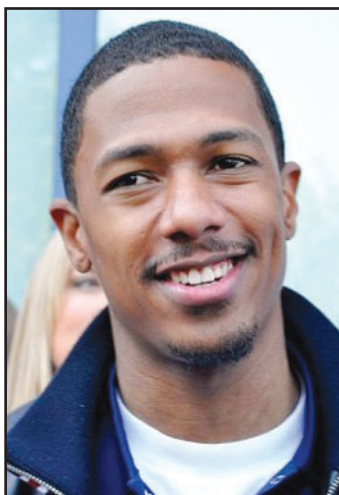


This Saturday 3rd of March 2012, Flowrider Aruba is having its First Year Anniversary, since its opening in Aruba last February 2011, and will have another Mega-Sport event. This Super Contest encourages all participants to challenge their best effort to be the New Champion of Aruba's Flowrider 2012. Event will have great Prizes for the three best winners. This event will be featuring the Popular Band Honey Pot, and Special Guest from Miami Beach DJ Antonio. Flowrider will also have the honor to have Miss Aruba Lucianette Verhoecks present. Snacks, great meals and more surprises that day from our fantastic sponsors. This event will take place at Palm Beach Plaza Mall, starting at 5:00 pm to 12:00pm. The contest will consist of 2 different categories, for all ages, Body board and Stand Up and this year only 1 class, so competition will be even more Fun. Super prizes for the three best Flow-performers of each contest. Flowrider Aruba one more time emphasizes on Sport safety, Secure and Fun.

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Nick Cannon Opens Up About Health Issues



Nick Cannon has recently been going through a series of health problems, including

kidney failure and blood clots in his lungs.

Cannon has now revealed his kidney failure was actually caused by the autoimmune disease and is an incurable condition.

"The blood clot thing was probably the scariest because... I've known people who have passed away from that," he told People. "I thought I was getting better and then that happened, so that kind of came out of nowhere."

Cannon was hospitalized for a week with what was termed "mild kidney failure" while on a New Years Eve

vacation in Aspen, CO with his wife Mariah Carey late last year.

He was then re-hospitalized with blood clots in his lungs and an enlarged ventricle in his heart in February -- resulting in the 31-year-old quitting his Rollin' with Nick Cannon radio show to focus on his health.

Cannon is maintaining a positive attitude despite his health issues.

Cannon, who is married to Mariah Carey and has twins Monroe and Moroccan, said he is focused on recovering.

Parents Guide to Skin Protection



It's important to protect your children's skin from the damaging effects of the sun. No matter what they're doing or what time of year it is, if they are outdoors, they need to be protected.

Aruba is one of the places in the world where the sun is the strongest. Located only 12.5 degrees north of the equator, the sun shines with maximum strength and penetrates the atmosphere with a maximum amount of UV rays. What most people don't know on water and sand, which means that even in the shade you need protection.

Protecting the skin from the sun during childhood and adolescence is important in reducing cancer risks later in life. By building safe sun habits into your family's daily routine, you will make your children understand and get used to being protected against the sun and they will become more

-- can't see through when held up to light.

- Cover up with Hats. Choose hats that shade your child's face, neck and ears.

- Apply Sunscreen every day on skin that is not protected by clothing or a hat. Choose a sunscreen with a high Sun Protection Factor (SPF) such as Aruba Aloe's Waterproof SPF 30 sunscreen for maximum protection. For babies and children under 2 years old, make sure to use a special sunscreen that gives extra protection for the sensitive skin such as "Waterproof Babies SPF 30" from Aruba Aloe. Remember to reapply after swimming, sweating or toweling dry if you use a sunscreen that is not waterproof.

- Use sunscreen even on



hazy or overcast days.

- Keep an extra bottle of sunscreen in the car.

- Pack a bottle of sunscreen in your child's bag.

- Use Sunglasses that block UV rays and protect the eyes and the surrounding tender skin.

- Play in the Shade. The sun's rays are generally strongest from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If your children are outdoors, make sure their skin is protected.

- Teach your children the shadow rule. When outside, if your shadow is shorter than you are, it means that the sun is high in the sky and the UV rays are most intense.

- Protect children younger than 6 months of age with clothing and keep them in the shade.

For more advice on how to best protect your and your children's skin against the sun, please call Aruba Aloe: 588-3222 or visit the website www.ArubaAloe.com

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aware of the harmful effects it can have to their skin. Parents should take the lead by giving the good example; children will respond better when they see their parents protecting their skin as well.

Important recommendations:

- Wear protective clothing when out in the sun. Choose shirts and slacks made of tightly woven fabrics that you

Cool Casino where those in the know go to play!



The great perks of gaming at Cool Casino in the Palm Beach has created a dedicated clientele; ask them what they like about the cozy casino, and they don't know where to start! The free slot tournaments every Sunday? Major pay-offs in their weekly Blackjack tournaments every Tuesday and Friday? Ladies' night every Wednesday with entertainment from great local bands? Or perhaps just the terrific benefits of being "One Cool Member" which earns players bonus points towards additional activities, free dinners, day passes at the Riu Resort, credit for play, or best of all: hard, cool cash! The casino opens daily at 10:00 AM and on Saturdays and Sundays, all are greeted with an early

morning "Kaffie Klatch" and triple points when using their membership cards.



Cool Casino is a great place to learn to understand such table games as Craps and Roulette, as they offer free instructions and minimums for beginners with which anyone can have fun and feel very comfortable. High-stakes tables and a major weekly blackjack tournament will

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SPORTS

Aruba Football League graced with prestigious sponsorships



Last week, Romar Trading N.V. and Aruba Football League announced the beginning of a prestigious partnership which will definitely benefit the development of Aruba's principal sport... football (soccer for Americans).

A year ago Casillero del Di-

ablo entered into a successful partnership with Manchester United, official representatives of Casillero del Diablo in Aruba, which is the Romar Trading Company. Romar Trading Company decided to approach the Aruba Football League via different projects to contribute to Aruba's football, while at the same time creating a presence for the prestigious Concha & Toro wines among our footballers.

The first project to be implemented with AVB and Casillero del Diablo begins Friday during the game between National and Dakota at the Guillermo Trinidad Sport Complex. This will be a half-time game, where 4 persons from the public will have an opportunity to participate to win different articles from Manchester United and Casillero del Diablo.

This game will be directed weekly by one of Aruba's star local footballers. This way the public will have an opportunity to meet Aruba's outstanding football players.

They will also be sharing information about the Casillero del Diablo campaign and how anyone can participate to win a trip for two persons all expenses paid to Old Trafford, England to see the Manchester United game..

For the Manchester United fans, this Friday there will be an opportunity to take Pictures with Rooney. Unfortunately your pictures will be with a life-size picture board of Rooney and not with Rooney in person.

AVB is extremely happy with and grateful for the opportunity to have the support of Romar Trading N.V. This will definitely enable them to realize various projects.

Romar Trading's representatives were amazed at the numerous projects on the agenda of AVB for this year as part of their 80th year celebration. Romar Trading will be evaluating each event to ascertain which is worthy of their participation to continue their alliance with other projects, and of course, during the play-offs.

AVB is also working on getting other companies to form an alliance with them. They are convinced that working together will certainly help with the successful development of football on Aruba

Charity event for CasMarie

The 8th annual Wente Vineyards/Papiamento Restaurant golf tournament is around the corner



As time whizzes past, this is a good moment to realize that the one-day, invitational Wente Vineyards/Papiamento Restaurant Golf Tournament, held on Saturday, March 31st, is already around the corner. By participating, the golfers of the event at the Tierra del Sol Golf Course, support a worthy cause. This year, proceeds are going to CasMarie, the foundation which helps patients with dementia and Alzheimer's disease and their family members cope by providing them with support and a day care center. The event is sponsored by various local firms, which each 'buy' a hole as well as main sponsors Wente Vineyards, Papiamento Restaurant and Arion Wine Company.

The golf tournament starts off with an invitational cocktail reception in the stunning private garden of Papiamento Restaurant on March 30. During this fabulous party, always attended very well, players meet their team mates and opponents, the event sponsors and friends. Of course Wente Vineyards wines will be poured and fourth-generation Eric Wente will be present at the reception to greet all participants. Eric loves to play

and he never misses the Aruba golf event. The entire organization of the 8th Wente Vineyards/Papiamento Restaurant event lies in the hands of Arion Wine Company, representative of Wente Wines on the island.

On March 31, participants will have a bottle of chilled Wente Vineyards wine waiting in their carts and they're given a bagged lunch to keep them fortified. The sun will be out of their eyes because of their new Wente caps. The fun event's finale and prize giving ceremony is held during a buffet around the fabulous pool area of Tierra del Sol. The first prize of the Wente Vineyards/Papiamento Restaurant Golf event is a round trip to Livermore Valley, where a truly magnificent golf course is waiting for action. A prize that everyone would like to win!

Registration for the invitational cocktail party is via the Arion Wine Company (594-3326/marketing@arion-winecompany.com - Joost Röben). The organization of the golf part of the event is in the hands of Tierra del Sol's golf pro Adam Williamson (586-0978).

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NBA: Half-century on, Chamberlain century lives on

PHILADELPHIA (AFP) - Fifty years on, Wilt Chamberlain's 100-point game remains the stuff of legend in the NBA.

On March 2, 1962, before a crowd of 4,124 in out-of-the-way Hershey, Pennsylvania, Chamberlain made 36 of 63 shots from the field and 28 of 32 from the free throw line to score 100 points for the Philadelphia Warriors against the New York Knicks, a feat whose mythic status has only been enhanced by the lack of film or photographic record of the contest.

Chamberlain and the Warriors hosted the Knicks in Hershey, then their secondary home, as part of the then-lowly NBA's bid to expand interest in the league.

The most enduring image of the event is a post-game photo of Chamberlain holding up a piece of paper with the number "100" written on it.

The Philadelphia 76ers planned to make up for the lack of hype in that pre-internet age with plenty of hoopla on Friday night, when they hosted the Golden State War-

riors.

"It's going to be all Wilt, all night long," 76ers chief executive Adam Aron promised.

Friday's game in Philadelphia involves two franchises key to the Chamberlain story.

The Warriors moved to San Francisco in 1962 and became the Golden State Warriors in 1971.

When the Warriors moved, the Syracuse Nationals moved to Pennsylvania and became the Philadelphia 76ers.

Chamberlain moved with the Warriors to San Francisco, but returned to Philadelphia in a trade to the Sixers in 1965.

The Sixers bought the original court from the Hershey arena -- which had been in storage.

Most of it will be preserved, but fans at Friday's game will receive a two-inch square piece of the court to commemorate the anniversary.

Halftime ceremonies will honor the family of Chamberlain, who died of a heart attack at age 63 in 1999 after a

career that included four Most Valuable Player awards, seven scoring titles, 13 All-Star appearances, and two NBA titles -- with the 76ers in 1967 and with the Los Angeles Lakers in 1972.

On that fateful night in Hershey, Chamberlain played all 48 minutes, leading the Warriors to a 169-147 victory.

His free-throw shooting was especially noteworthy, given his career success rate of 51 percent from the line.

As the years have passed, the idea that an offense-driven NBA would see the 100-point game matched have faded.

Los Angeles Lakers superstar Kobe Bryant has come closest, pouring in 81 points against Toronto on January 22, 2006.

Bryant believes the 100-point mark will be broken -- someday.

"Somebody will do it," Bryant said. "It probably won't happen in our lifetime or in the next lifetime, but it will happen."

Others aren't so sure.

"I'm not even sure a player

can come close," said Portland guard Jamal Crawford, who scored 52 points for New York against Miami in 2007.

"Scouting reports are so advanced, guys have a lot of pride and there's a lot of team defense. It would be hard for a person to score 100. After 40, 50, guys are making adjustments."

Even Chicago Bulls great Michael Jordan never scored more than 69 points in one game.

"One hundred points in a game," said former Denver star David Thompson, who scored 73 in a game against Detroit on April 9, 1978. "That's crazy."



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Michelle selling raffle tickets at Ling & Son's supermarket

16 teams will be battling it out on the La Cabana Beach front this Sunday, March 4, during the fundraising event organized by dedicated island visitor Michelle Begin from Ottawa. The Ms. Canada tournament begins at 11:00 AM and contestants will include Aruba's Minister of Social and Economic Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, playing for the Canada team.

There is no cost to be a spectator, but funds raised from the sale of soft drinks

and snacks, along with raffle tickets for some fabulous prizes, will help bolster the donations, the lion's share going to Foundation Mi Por for youngsters with Cerebral Palsy with additional "wish lists" from Ambiente Feliz, a home for mentally challenged adults and Casa Cuna Progreso, a home for children ages infant to seven years from troubled homes. Ms. Begin has also earmarked monies to assist Aruban Police Motorcycle Corpsman Agbert Groes to

travel to Holland for reconstructive surgery needed for injuries incurred during an accident.

•Raffle prizes are \$10; 3 for \$25 and prizes are:

•A string of fresh water pearls donated by Queen's Jeweler; value: \$900

•Topaz necklace and earring set donated by Diamante; value \$500

•Caribbean topaz necklace and earring set from Little Switzerland; value \$125

•Weekend Stay at La Cabana Resort

•Weekend Stay at Tropicana Resort

•One-Hour Massage donated by Indulgence by the Sea

•One-Hour tennis lesson with local pro Humphrey Hose

•4-\$50 gift certificates donated by Casa Tua Restaurant

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•2 \$50 gift certificates donated by Flying Fishbone Restaurant

•2-\$50 gift certificated donated by Chalet Swiss Restaurant

•Logo Gear from Balashi Brewery

•Logo Gear from Senor Frog's

•Parasailing with Julio Watersports

•4 - Round Robins with Tropicana Tennis Club

It will be a fun day on the beach for a number of worthwhile causes, and all are welcome.

by Rosalie Klein

Tennis: Murray downs Djokovic, faces Federer in Dubai final

DUBAI (AFP) - World number one Novak Djokovic was beaten for the first time this year when his first tournament since his Australian Open triumph ended in a straight sets semi-final defeat to Andy Murray at the Dubai Open.

The triple Grand Slam finalist beat the triple Grand Slam title-holder from Serbia 6-2, 7-5 to earn a final against Roger Federer today.

Federer reached his 102nd career final with a 7-6 (7/5), 7-6 (8/6) win over Juan Martin Del Potro which earned him a chance of extending his record of Dubai titles to five.

The Grand Slam record-holder from Switzerland beat the 2009 US Open champion from Argentina with a calm and solid performance in which he held all his service games throughout a fourth successive match.

He also saved four set points in the second set tiebreak.

Murray, who lost a thrilling Australian Open semi-final to Djokovic, gained revenge in an impressive display.

It was an unpredictable match, with two or three surprising twists and turns, Djokovic attacking the net more than usual, but Murray being the better server and more consistent player.

Murray could not hide his pleasure.

That involved taking away time from Djokovic with consistent pressure and a better

balanced mixture of attack and defence.

He was helped by an indifferent spell from Djokovic, who played two poor service games in the first set and another early in the second.

But when Murray tried to serve out for the match at 5-3 in the second set he grew tense and missed the great opportunity, only to earn another after forcing Djokovic into driving errors three games later.

This was his first victory over Djokovic in a completed match for nearly three years.

It left an impression that his unbroken two-week stint of training in Miami had given him better preparation for this tournament than Djokovic, perhaps helping achieve a deeper focus.

Djokovic, who received the Laureus World sportsman of the Year award in London and became the recipient of Serbia's highest civil award in Belgrade, endured this defeat not long after receiving these and other honours.

Federer scored his third win this year over the dangerous Del Potro, who returned to the world's top 10 last month for the first time since wrist surgery in 2010 consigned him to a ranking close to 500.

But it required Federer to make a fine comeback in the second set tie-break, in which he was 2-6 down, with four successive set points against him, before producing a wonderful six-point streak to close the match out.

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